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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL  
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE  
ART UNIT 1653**

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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant: Peltonen et al. Art Unit: 1653  
Serial No.: 09/509,595 Examiner: S. W. Liu  
Filed: July 5, 2000  
Title: NUCLEIC ACID MOLECULE ENCODING A (POLY)PEPTIDE CO-  
SEGREGATING IN MUTATED FORM WITH AUTOIMMUNE  
POLYENDOCRINOPATHY CANDIDIASIS ECTODERMAL DYSTROPHY  
(APECED)

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO THE FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

Sir:

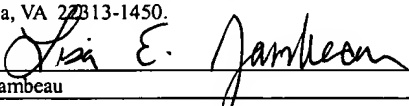
Responsive to the Office Action mailed June 30, 2004, which the Examiner has made final, please consider the following remarks and amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.**

**Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.**

**CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 CFR §1.8**

I hereby certify that the documents referred to as enclosed herein are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail on **December 30, 2004**, in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop AF, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.

  
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